

Remarks

Claims 1–5 of the international application have been amended and new claims 6–16 added. Claims 1–16 remain in the application.

Claims 1–5 have been amended to put them in better form for U.S. practice and to remove multiple dependencies. Claims 6–16 have been added as dependent claims. Support for the amendments can be found, among other places, as follows:

Claims 1 and 5: p.3, ll. 8–11; p.5, ll. 7–9; p. 7, ll. 7–9

Claims 2 and 9: p. 5, ll. 1–5

Claims 3 and 7: p. 8, ll. 17–27

Claim 4: p. 9, ll. 14–18

Claim 6: p.2, ll. 21–25

Claims 8 and 15: p. 5, ll. 5–9

Claim 10: p. 9, ll.6–12

Claim 11: p. 9, ll. 1–4

Claims 12 and 16: p. 5, ll.7–9; p. 6, ll. 5–14

Claim 13: p. 5, ll. 30–31

Claim 14: p. 5, ll. 17–21

None of the amendments adds new matter.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments.